

SAFETY ALERT



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Protective Eyewear

CAUTION: Soldiers are buying name brand sunglasses at local bazaars and shops which may not meet the Army requirement for ballistic eyewear.

AUTHORIZED PROTECTIVE EYEWEAR

 Wiley X Talon Rx capable 4240-01-583-5158	 Smith Optics Aegis Rx capable 4240-01-583-5206	 Revision Sawfly 2 sizes; Rx capable 4240-01-527-4051 Reg 4240-01-527-4018 Lrg	 Oakley SI Ballistic M Frame 2.0 Rx capable 4240-01-525-3095	 UVEX Genesis Rx capable 4240-01-552-4131
 ESS Crossbow Rx capable 4240-01-583-5742	 Wiley X SG-1 4240-01-504-0994	 Wiley X PT-1 4240-01-510-7853	 UVEX XC Rx capable 4240-01-516-5361	 ESS Profile NVG Rx Capable 4240-01-540-5585 Grn 4240-01-504-6222 Blk 4240-01-504-5727 Tan
 ESS Land Ops (Worn over glasses) 4240-01-540-5576 Grn 4240-01-540-5580 Tan	 Arena Flakjak 4240-01-548-7366 Grn 4240-01-527-4076 Tan	 Smith Optics Outside the Wire Rx capable 4240-01-583-4955 Grn 4240-01-583-4907 Blk 4240-01-583-4954 Tan	 Revision Desert Locust Rx Capable 4240-01-547-6218 Grn 4240-01-547-6227 Blk	

Only eyewear on the Authorized Protective Eyewear List (APEL) have been validated against Army requirements for ballistic fragmentation protection. Other commercial eyewear products, even if marked ANSI Z87.1 compliant, do not necessarily meet military impact requirements. Eyewear not on the APEL are not authorized for wear during combat, training, or when there is a risk of impact injury to the eyes. Only clear and gray/smoke sunglass lenses are authorized for the Military Combat Eye Protection (MCEP) listed on the APEL. Other lens tints, including yellow, orange, rust, rose, and others known as “blue blockers”, are not authorized because they adversely impact and degrade color recognition and overall mission performance.

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